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UTILITY INSTALLATIONS

City Code 38-28 (b)(10)

- All utility pedestals, transformers, switchgear, air conditioning equipment and concrete foundation pads associated with underground installation, connection and distribution shall be placed, at or below grade level, at least three (3) feet from the side or rear lot lines.
- Placement shall not be in yards abutting streets.
- Each apparatus shall be effectively screened from pedestrian view by shrubbery or architectural material compatible with the exterior of the principal structure.
- If such apparatus is air handling with exhaust or blower, it shall be so located as not to vent toward immediately contiguous property.
- Prior to the erection, installation or placement of foundation for any of the above apparatus, an application for a permit shall be filed with the zoning administrator accompanied by plans and elevations drawn to scale. Such drawings, submitted in duplicate, shall depict the specific location in relation to the principal structure, property lines, height, type and octave frequency in cycles per second of all apparatus whether above or below grade level. The data submitted in compliance hereto shall not be deemed sufficient to fulfill the requirement of Chapter 6 of this Code, but are in addition thereto.
- Upon certification by the zoning administrator of the proper location of a foundation pad, the division of inspections shall issue a permit as described in Chapter 6 of this Code.

Note: This is a summary of the Code. Please refer to 38-28 for specifics and additional information. An online version of the Code is available at-- http://www.ci.falls-church.va.us/